NIDDK Workshop – New and Minority Research Investigators

Topic: "Developing Research Collaborations"

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Why is this necessary?

 for grant applications – document capacity to use specific technique

"cutting edge"/innovative research

broaden "horizons"

How are research collaborations established?

- in-depth review of literature
- advice of mentor
- attend local research conferences
- "single topic" research symposium
- review posters at national meetings

Pitfalls of collaboration:

- collaborative relationship
 - -access to primary data
 - -role of collaborator in experiments (e.g. authorship, etc.)
- plan must be "in writing"
- determine expectations of collaborator in relationship - "in writing"
- sense of previous collaborations

Advantages:

- precise answer to research question
- accomplish more
- good learning experience
- good "grantmanship"
- new research questions
- learn to work together